

SULTAN SAID TO BE PREPARED TO LEAVE; SUBMARINE U-9 WRECKED?

FIVE POWERS
HAVE AGREED
ON REPRISAL

Asquith to Announce Monday Allied Retaliatory Action.

MAY PUT BAN ON COTTON

Likely All Foodstuffs Destined for Germany Will Be Made Contraband.

Berlin, Feb. 27.—According to the Hamburger Nachrichten, a list compiled by the German ministry of war gives French losses the first six months as follows:

Dead, 350,000; wounded, 700,000; of whom 200,000 are slight; missing, 200,000.

London, Feb. 27.—France, Russia, England, Serbia and Belgium are said by English officials to be in absolute accord as to reprisals to be made on Germany, Austria and Turkey in retaliation for the German submarine campaign. England was in conference with her allies concerning reprisals before the receipt of the last American note making informal representations looking to the discontinuance of submarine activities and to the admission of food to Germany for her civil population.

While it can be authoritatively stated that the nature of the reprisals has not been agreed upon, England and her allies have decided upon the main points which probably will be announced Monday by Premier Asquith in a statement for the press simultaneously the position of all of the opponents of Germany toward neutral countries whose trade is so vitally affected by the present naval methods will be submitted to the neutral countries.

Walter Hines Page, American ambassador to Great Britain, and the British foreign office, have refrained from publicly discussing the terms of the American note but the foreign office has intimated that the probable statement of Premier Asquith on Monday will not be a direct answer to the American note but a long promised elucidation of the intimation made by Sir Edward Grey, secretary of state for foreign affairs and the other cabinet members that reprisals against Germany would doubtless be necessary.

There is every reason to believe that England fully intends to make all foodstuffs for Germany absolute contraband, thus cutting off the movement of ships to German ports and making export trade by sea impossible.

Great interest is being shown by the British press and the public in the probable treatment of cotton under the new system of reprisals. The belief seems to be general that cotton and food will become absolute contraband.

British officials are now persuaded, they state, that several ships which at first reported as having been destroyed by mines, were the victims of submarines.

Report Britisher Torpedoed.

Dieppe, France, Feb. 27.—It is reported a British merchant ship has been torpedoed in the English channel off Saint Valery-Sur-Somme. A French destroyer has gone to her assistance.

4,000 German Teachers in Army.

Berlin, Feb. 27.—Of 11,500 male high school teachers in the country 4,000 are serving in the army, while nearly half the high school pupils over 17 have entered the military service.

Sultan Preparing to Leave?

Paris, Feb. 27.—Matins Athens correspondent repeats the story published several times recently that the sultan of Turkey is preparing to leave Constantinople, and that imperial trains are kept with steam up at the railroad station.

American Flag in Belgium.

Brussels, Feb. 27.—The American flag now has right of way on Belgian roads and is flying from warehouses and stations of the commission for relief of Belgium and from its automobiles. It forms about the only bit of color in this desolate land.

Death Sentence for Pillager.

Rennes, France, Feb. 25.—Carl Voelgensang, a German soldier, found guilty of pillaging while under arms, of arson and dispatching French wounded, has been sentenced to death.

Moulin Rouge Burning.

Paris, Feb. 27.—The Moulin Rouge, center of night life in Paris, is burning. All the city fire apparatus is fighting the flames.

FORTY SHIPS
NOW RUSHING
UPON TURKEY

ATHENS, FEB. 27.—THE ALLIED FLEET OF 40 WARSHIPS TODAY PENETRATED THE DARDANELLES AS FAR AS HORTALI AND DESTROYED FORT INTEPE. THE FORTS AT THE ENTRANCE HAVE BEEN DISMANTLED.

The War Today

A Paris dispatch says the French press is unanimous in opposition to the informal proposals of the United States to Great Britain and Germany concerning admission of food supplies to belligerent nations for civil populations and the cessation of submarine attacks on merchantmen. Great Britain's allies are said to have advised her they favor the policy of cutting off supplies from Germany.

Clashes between factions favoring and opposing war continue to create disturbances in Italy and the plan of the government to suppress public meetings for discussion of this question led to turbulent scenes in parliament yesterday. Premier Salandra, who previously defined Italy's policy as armed neutrality, said in addressing parliament he did not know whether the nation was destined to march to war.

Warships of the Anglo-French fleet are reported to have penetrated the Dardanelles after silencing outer forts, and removal of mines is under way preparatory to an attempt to further advance toward Constantinople. The great battle in Poland is still to be decided, although latest reports indicate the German rush from east Prussia has been checked.

A Christiania dispatch says wreckage picked up near Christiansand appears to indicate disaster to German submarine U-9.

It was the U-9 that destroyed the British cruisers Cressy, Hogue and Aboukir Sept. 23 and the cruiser Hawk Oct. 23.

Petrograd announces repulse of German attacks in north Poland with heavy losses, claiming the Germans forced back along a 25-mile front in the Przemyssk region.

Emperor William has conferred the decoration of the Pour Le Merite order upon Field Marshal Von Hindenburg.

New Russian forces are northeast of Grodno, west of Lomazand and south of Przemyssk. It is officially announced by Berlin, South of Kolno 1,100 Russians were taken.

Fighting continues in the Champagne country. Some of the renewed French attacks in this district yesterday and last night were repulsed. Fighting continues north of Verdun, where the Germans attacked French positions.

Two German aviators who for two days were clinging to their machines in the North sea, having met an accident in attempting to fly from Ostend to England Sunday, were rescued by a British trawler and turned over to the authorities of Lowestoft.

Six British newspaper men, among them one American, will leave London Monday for the British front. It is the first time newspaper men have been granted permission to visit the British lines.

A dispatch from Hertz, Roumania, says the Austrian advance in eastern Galicia has been checked and the Russians, driving back their opponents, have recaptured Stanislau and Kolomea.

Paris announced that a squadron of German aeroplanes bombed the district behind Nieuport, killing one woman and an old man.

A French aviator dropped three bombs on the German barracks at Metz.

Up to Feb. 16 a total of 1,394 British officers were killed, 2,629 wounded and 690 missing.

Near Melincourt yesterday Germans sprayed a French trench with burning liquid, severely injuring the occupants. Paris announces that in counter attacks the Germans suffered some losses. On the heights of Meuse French artillery exploded 20 ammunition wagons, annihilated a detachment and destroyed an entire camp.

EVELYN OBEYING
RULE WHEN SUNK

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—The first report of Commander Gherardi, American naval attaché at Berlin, says the American steamer Evelyn, sunk in the North sea by a mine, was not off the course laid out by the German admiralty. It is believed she struck a mine that had broken loose from its moorings.

It is unofficially reported seven members of the crew lost their lives when the steamer Evelyn was sunk by a mine.

GLOVES ONLY
CLUE AURORA
POLICE HAVE

Bloodhounds Lose Trail of Girl Slayer at the Fox River

TWENTY ARE DETAINED

Suspects to Be Paraded Before Woman Who Sees Man Steeping Over Body.

Aurora, Ill., Feb. 27.—Hunt for the slayer of Emma Peterson centered today about the wooden gloves worn by the murderer. From one of the gloves picked up near the scene of the crime bloodhounds trailed the slayer to Fox river. The gloves were sold two weeks ago at the store of Podolsky & Cohen, within two blocks of a small section of the city known as "Little Hungary." Every man who got a pair of gloves will be sought by the police.

Twenty suspects will be paraded before Mrs. Ellen Galkins, who from a window saw a "tall man in a long overcoat" stooping over Mrs. Peterson.

Nothing of importance is attached to the arrest in Chicago yesterday of Frank Ramsey of Dixon who had in his possession a piece of gas pipe and said he was held as a suspect in the Miller murder last winter. The police theory is he is looking for expensive money and notoriety.

BAD INDIANS MAY
GIVE UP BATTLES

NEGOTIATIONS FOR SURRENDER OF RENEGADE REDSKINS ARE UNDER WAY.

Denver, Col., Feb. 27.—News advices from Bluff, Utah, indicate that there has been no further fighting between United States Marshal Aquila Nebeker's posse and the band of Piute Indians protecting Tse-Ne-Gai from arrest on a charge of murder. Negotiations for the surrender of the Indians still are going on but with no indication as to the probable outcome. Havana, the captive shot Tuesday night, when attempting to escape, died Thursday night.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Feb. 27.—Friendly Indians encamped northeast of Bluff, are suffering greatly through lack of food and are living in terror of the hostiles, according to a dispatch received by the Desert News from Bluff. Indian agents Creel and Jenkins located the band numbering 115, mostly women and children. They were found to be in a desperate condition through lack of food and the recent deep snow had so reduced their horses that the Indians were unable to move from their camp. None of these Indians ever lived on a reservation but they now express themselves as anxious to be taken to the Ute reservation in Colorado, where they may obtain food. Their want has been relieved temporarily and they will be moved to the reservation as soon as their horses are able to travel. The Indians appear to be living in great fear of the hostiles under Polk and Pusey and are anxious to be away from the scene of hostilities. The body of Chicken Jack, the Piute Indian killed by the posse Sunday, which was supposed to have been borne away by the Indians, was found in Cotton-Wood Wash by John F. Tavelly, submerger.

An inquest was held, finding that he was killed by a bullet from the posse and arrangements have been made to bury the body. Manos Jim, the friendly Ute scout, reports that he believes the joint force of hostiles under Polk and Pusey numbers only about fourteen warriors, the rest of the band being made up of squaws and papooses.

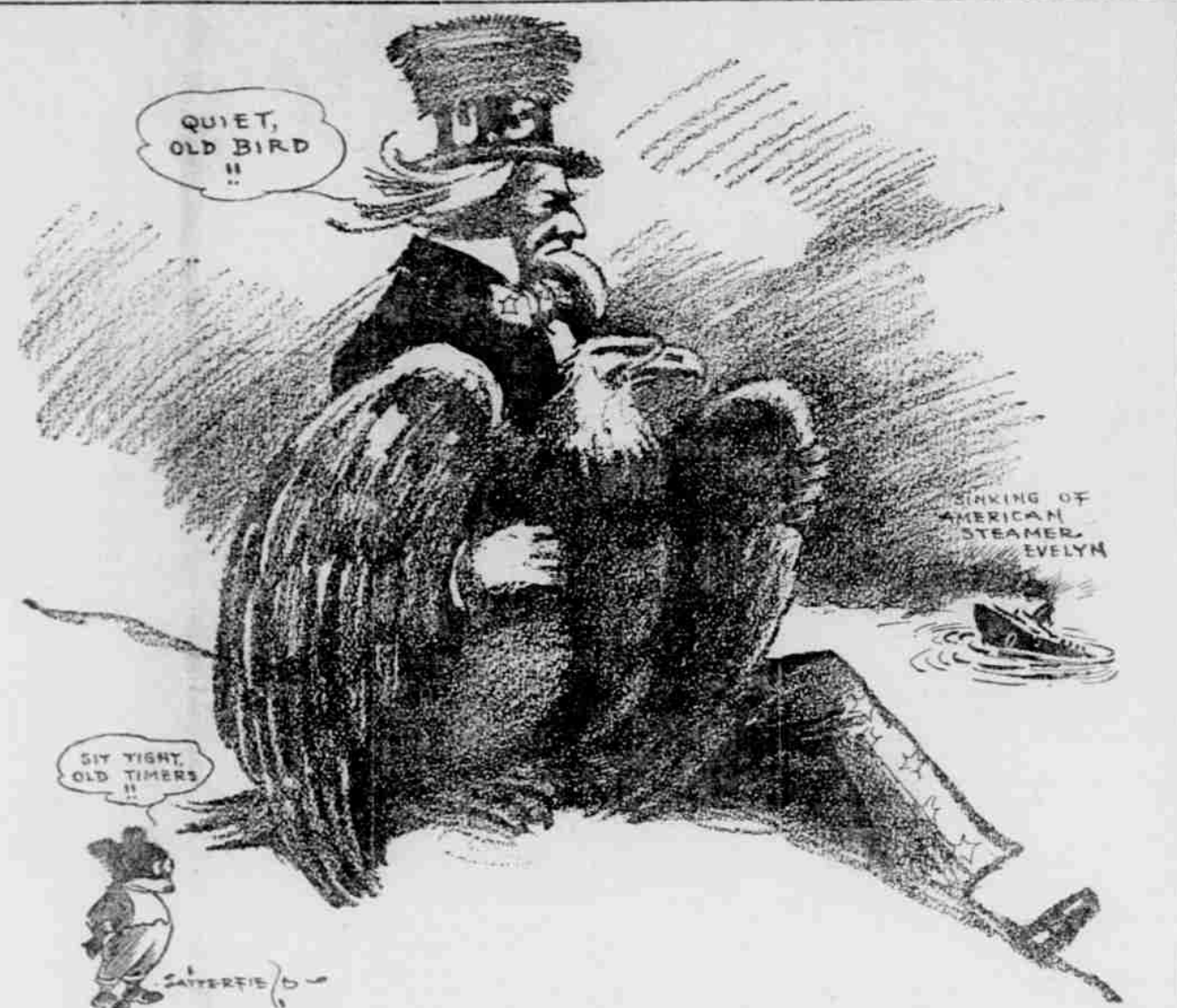
Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—Commissioner Sells of the Indian bureau forwarded instructions to local agents Friday to employ all possible means to induce hostile Piutes in Utah to surrender to avoid loss of more lives.

Sixty Piutes who recently left the Navajo reservation had agreed to return, bureau agents reported and that was interpreted as likely to have a good influence on the hostile band aiding Tse-Ne-Gai, to avoid arrest.

Distillers Bankrupt.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 27.—Nattinly & Moore and the F. G. Walker companies, two of the oldest distilling concerns of their kind in the state, today filed voluntary petitions in bankruptcy in the federal court.

HOLDING HIM DOWN

MICHIGAN FACES
HOT LIQUOR FIGHT

SENATE TO REPORT FAVORABLY BILL TO RESTRICT SALE IN THE STATE.

Lansing, Mich., Feb. 27.—One of the warmest legislative fights over a prohibition measure ever waged in Michigan is expected in the state senate soon. The senate committee on liquor has voted favorably to report a bill which would prohibit the sale of liquor within a radius of five miles from state educational institutions in Ann Arbor, Lansing, Hancock, Houghton, Marquette, Kalamazoo, Mount Pleasant and Ypsilanti.

FIVE LINERS ARE
OFF FOR EUROPE

AMERICAN SHIPS LEAVE NEW YORK BOUND FOR PORTS IN WAR ZONE.

New York, Feb. 27.—Today's sailings included five passenger liners bound for ports in the war zone set by Germany. Hundreds of passengers were aboard. The Lusitania, now the largest and fastest passenger ship traveling the Atlantic, had many cabin passengers for Liverpool. American flags and the words "American line" in letters four feet high were painted on both sides of the hull of the American liner St. Paul. Two more American flags were painted on the bow.

HELP REACHES STEAMER
IN DISTRESS ON OCEAN

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—The coast guardship Seneca reported today by wireless via Cape Race that it was conveying the steamer Mongolian into Halifax, and that the steamer was leaking badly. The Mongolian turned back when a leak which had been repaired sprung again.

THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for Rock Island, Davenport, Moline and Vicinity.

Probably snow tonight and Sunday. Not much change in temperature, with the lowest tonight about 25 degrees. Fresh northeast winds.

Temperature at 7 a. m., 20. Highest yesterday, 37. Lowest last night, 20. Velocity of wind at 7 a. m., 7 miles per hour.

Precipitation, none. Relative humidity at 7 p. m., 63; at 7 a. m., 81. Stage of water, 8.2; a fall of .1 in last 24 hours.

J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS. Evening stars: Mars, Saturn. Morning stars: Jupiter, Venus, Mercury. Arcturus, the great sun of constellations Bootes, seen rising north of east in the early evening.

MRS. STEGLER IN
PLEA TO WILSON

WIFE OF ACCUSED GERMAN RESERVIST ASKS THAT HE BE GIVEN FREEDOM.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—President Wilson has received a letter from the wife of Richard Stegler, the German reservist arrested in New York charged with fraudulently obtaining an American passport, declaring her husband was led into the project by Captain Boyed, German naval attaché here, and asking that Stegler be set free. The letter was referred to the department of justice. Mrs. Stegler declared she had no money to support herself. She is a Georgia woman. "He could have burned the passports and saved himself from being accused of forgery, but he told everything to the secret service men," Mrs. Stegler wrote the president.

SEAMEN'S BILL ADOPTED
AFTER TWO YEARS' FIGHT

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—The senate today accepted the conference report on the seamen's bill, ending a two years' fight in congress. The bill goes to the president. The seamen's bill raises the standards of labor for seamen and provides increased safety equipment on lake and ocean steamers.

The senate committee reported favorably all nominations for the new federal trade commission except Rubins.

NO SPECIAL SESSION OF
SENATE IS TO BE CALLED

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—The president practically has decided not to call a special session of the senate to consider the Colombian and Nicaraguan treaties. At the White house it was said that while still under consideration there was little prospect of a special session being called.

CARRANZA TAKES ACTION
UPON AMERICAN PROTEST

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—General Carranza has annulled so much of General Obregon's decree levying tax upon the commercial houses in the Mexican capital as applied to American and other foreigners. The state department had protested.

RECEIVER FOR WESTERN
PACIFIC IS TO BE ASKED

New York, Feb. 27.—Directors of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, which controls the Western Pacific railway, announced today application would be made for a receiver for the Western Pacific. The proceedings, it is said, will be friendly.

The Rio Grande owns \$50,000,000 of the Western Pacific's \$75,000,000 capital stock.

CLEVELAND'S HOME TO BE
GIVEN THE GOVERNMENT

Caldwell, N. J., Feb. 27.—The house where Grover Cleveland was born, and which was purchased for \$20,000 by the Cleveland memorial association, is to be presented to the United States government by the association.

CLOSE ARGUMENT
IN FRANK'S CASE

NO DECISION FOR SEVERAL WEEKS; FATE RESTS ON SUPREME COURT FINDING.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—Arguments on the Georgia federal court's decision granting a writ of habeas corpus to Leo M. Frank, under death sentence for the murder of Mary Phagan, the Atlanta factory girl, were concluded yesterday before the United States supreme court. A decision probably will not be given for at least several weeks.

Should the supreme court affirm the decision of the Georgia federal court, nothing would stand in the way of the state carrying out the death sentence. If the ruling is reversed, according to counsel for both sides, the case must go back to the district court for the taking of evidence on which the allegations in the petition for the writ were based.

Louis Marshall of New York, on behalf of Frank, told the supreme court that the trial court lost jurisdiction over the prisoner because of mob violence during the trial and because of Frank's absence when the verdict was announced through "coercion" by the trial judge.

Both sides agreed that the truth of these allegations was a question to be determined by the lower court if the supreme court held that, as a matter of law, assuming the allegations were true, Frank was entitled to the writ.

Notwithstanding this, both sides at times argued the truth of the allegations until at last Chief Justice White suggested to State Solicitor Dorsey that he was wasting his time.

Both Solicitor Dorsey and Attorney General Grice, for the state, urged that the state courts, having held that there had been no interference with Frank's rights by mob violence, a review by the federal court could not be had on a writ of habeas corpus, but was open only to review by a writ of error.

Regarding Frank's absence, Attorney General Grice contended there was no coercion used by Judge Roan in keeping Frank and his attorneys from the courtroom.

"Only a kind hearted judge, in the most sympathetic way, made a suggestion to counsel in private," he said.

Toussing upon the same point, Solicitor Dorsey declared that it was not until eight months after the trial, and not until new counsel had taken hold of the case, that the point of the prisoner's being absent was raised as a ground for setting aside the verdict.

Mr. Dorsey concluded by citing cases to support his view that Frank could waive his right to be present when the jury returned its verdict.

30 CARS GET OFF
ON FRISCO TRACK

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 27.—Thirty cars started at 10:30 this morning in the grand prix automobile race within the exposition grounds. The distance is 100 miles.

At noon a sharp shower threatened to bring the race to a close. The track was slippery and dangerous. Sand was thrown on the curves. Driver Alley was leading.

REPUBS GAIN
ONE IN HOUSE
BY A RECOUNT

Seating of E. W. Greene From Thirty-fourth District Is Assured

SHANAHAN IS PRESSED

Speaker Expected by Democrats to Give Them Best of Appointments.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 27.—The seating of E. Walter Green, republican, of Hindsboro, in the election contest in the Thirty-fourth senatorial district, was practically settled yesterday with the completion of the recount of ballots in Douglas county.

Green gained 163 votes in this county alone. Robert Howard of Mattoon, his democratic opponent, gained seven votes, leaving Green a net gain of 157 votes in the county. This exactly doubles the original plurality accorded Green in the district in the returns made to the secretary of state's office.

In Coles county, first to be counted in the recount, Howard made a net gain of 93 votes. This reduces Green's plurality to 245 in the two counties, but with only Clark county to be recounted, it is conceded by democratic members of the committee that Howard's chances have dwindled to practically nothing. According to the returns submitted to the secretary of state the total vote in the 20 precincts of Clark county was Green 2,381, Howard 1,941.

It was said many errors in tabulating the Douglas county returns were found.

Recount Clark Next Monday.

After completing the recount of Douglas county, members of the committee adjourned until 9 o'clock next Monday morning when the recount in Clark county will be taken up. It is expected to complete the recount and be ready to report back to the house when that body meets next Tuesday.

Speaker Shanahan left for Chicago with his work of making up the standing committees of the house in much better shape than he anticipated earlier in the week. He conferred with a number of assemblymen in Springfield. It is his intention to return to Springfield Sunday afternoon.

The Browne and anti-Browne issue is the one over which the democratic members are at swords' points. Browne having received the democratic caucus nomination for speaker and having been voted for by a majority of the democratic side, takes the position that he is the recognized head of the minority side and should have the distribution of the democratic committee favors.

Leaders of the anti-Browne forces, including both those known as the Dunne democrats and the democratic "dry," refuse to recognize the Browne leadership. Some of them are insisting not only that they shall be treated with, independently of Browne, but demand that Browne not be recognized in any other way than any other democratic member.

Democrats Want Biggest Share.

The democrats are further puzzling Speaker Shanahan by insisting upon a lion's share of committee favors. They maintain that because the democratic side cast a majority of votes for Shanahan for temporary speaker, they are entitled to control a majority of the standing committees.

Speaker Shanahan declines to take this view of the situation, however. To start with, he is a republican. Then, committee assignments are made by the permanent speaker and on the roll call for permanent speaker he received more republican than democratic votes. It is upon this basis that the distribution will be made.

The speaker has heard now from all but 15 of the members regarding their committee preferences. Not all of the replies, however, have been satisfactory. A few of the republicans have not submitted their preferences, merely advising Speaker Shanahan that they will put the matter up to him. This has caused him considerable annoyance and will materially delay the work of arranging the committees.

When the assembly reconvenes next Tuesday the gates will be opened for the introduction of bills, and it is expected that a flood of measures will pour in. Speaker Shanahan is confident that he will be able to announce the house committees before the next legislative week ends.

Darnell Indicted.

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 27.—Rev. James Darnell of Kenosha was indicted today for violation of the Mann act.